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SUBJ: R/V WESTWARD CLEARANCE REQUEST OCTOBER 12 TO NOVEMBER 23, 1077

- 1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMALLY ADVISED OF A PROPOSED CRUISE BY R/V WESTWARD OF THE SEA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (SEA) OF WOODS HOLE, MASSACHUSETTS. IN A LETTER OF AUGUST, 26, DR. ARTHUR GAINES OF SEA REQUESTED ADVISE FROM BOTHER GINES, PRESIDENT OF FUNDACION LA SALLE, A LOCAL SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY, ON REQUIREMENTS FOR OFFICIAL GOV CLEARANCE FOR A PROPOSED OCTOBER 12 TO NOVEMBER 23 CRUISE IN THE AREAS OF MARGARITA AND AVES ISLANDS. GAINES NOTED THE NEED TO MAKE AN OFFICIAL REQUEST THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT, BUT MENTIONED DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED BY OTHERS IN OBTAINING SUCH CLEARANCES.
- 2. BROTHER GINES PROVIDED US COPIES OF LETTERS WHICH HE SAID HE HAD JUST RECEIVED, COMMENTING THAT THIS WAS VERY SHORT NOTICE FOR A CRUISE BEGINNING IN LESS THAN A MONTH. HE INDICATED HE WOULD ADVISE GAINES TO SUBMIT HIS REQUEST THROUGH OFFICIAL CHANNELS.
- 3. BASED ON PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE, WE SEE LITTLE OR NO POSSIBILITY THAT GOV CLEARANCE CAN BE OBTAINED IN TIME. SHOULD DR. GAINES CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT ABOUT THIS ISSUE, AN ATTEMPT SHOULD BE MADE TO DISSUADE HIM FROM GOING AHEAD WITH HIS PLANS AT THIS LATE DATE.

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